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In re the Application of: MARUYAMA, Shigeyuki et al.

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REQUEST FOR DELETION OF INVENTOR NAMED IN PRESENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the following inventor who was named in prior application Serial No. 09/828,221, be deleted from the above-identified patent application which claims priority under 35 USC §120 based on said prior application:

Futoshi Fukaya

The deletion of the above-mentioned inventor is due to the fact that he does not contribute to the claims recited in this application.

In the event any fees are due in connection with this request, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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